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Enhancing the contribution of the First Committee to the maintenance of international peace and security

The General Assembly,

Expressing grave concern at the emergence of new threats to international peace and security in the post-September 11, 2001 period,

Affirming the continuing importance of the contribution of the First (Disarmament and International Security) Committee to the maintenance of international peace and security,

Convinced that a review by Member States of the focus, priorities and mode of operation of the First Committee could enhance its ability to address these new threats more effectively,

Noting in this regard the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Strengthening of the United Nations: an agenda for further change",[1] as well as General Assembly resolution 57/300 of 20 December 2002 on this subject, and seeking to contribute to this effort,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General, within existing resources, to seek the views of Member States on the issue of improving the effectiveness of the First Committee, prepare a report recommending appropriate options, and submit it for consideration by the General Assembly at its fifty-ninth session;

2. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-ninth session an item entitled, "Enhancing the contribution of the First Committee to the maintenance of international peace and security".

[1] A/57/387 and Corr.1.

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